GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Transport Department – Allegations of corruption and irregularities against the Officials of office of the RTO DTC Complex Office, Kadapa YSR Kadapa District - Surprise Check conducted by ACB Officials on 20.09.2019– Common disciplinary proceedings under rule 24 of APCS (CC&A) Rules 1991 initiated- Departmental Proceedings under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control and Appeal) Rules 1991 initiated against Sri M.Veerraju the then DTC (I/C) Kadapa & RTO, Proddatur – Charges Framed – Written Statement of Defence Submitted - Further Action dropped- Orders- Issued.

TRANSPORT ROADS & BUILDINGS(VIG.TR)DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No.186 Dated:21.07.2022

Read the following:

1. From the DG, ACB, AP, Vijayawada, Letter.No.C.NO.45/DES-TCD/2019, S-7, dt.08.10.2020.
2. From the DG, ACB Letter.No.C.NO.45/DES-TCD/2019, dt.19.7.2021.
3. G.O.Rt.Nos.214, TR&B(Vig-TR) Dept., dt.30.7.2021.
4. G.O.Rt.No.215 TR&B(Vig-TR) Dept., dt.30.7.2021.
5. From Transport Commissioner, AP , Vijayawada, Letter No.20024/22/V2/2019, Dated:17 -02.2022 along with the Written Statement of Defense dt:11.11.2021 of Sri M.Veerraju, RTO Proddatur, the then I/c of DTC Kadapa.

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ORDER:

In the letter first read above, the Director General Anti Corruption Bureau AP, Vijayawada has submitted his Detailed Surprise Check Report stating that on credible information that the officials and staff working at the office of the Deputy Transport Commissioner Kadapa have been indulging in corrupt practices and collecting bribe from the people who are coming to the Deputy Transport Commissioner Office, YSR District for transport/ non-transport registrations of their vehicles learner's licenses driving licenses fitness certificates etc., a surprise check was conducted by ACB Officials on the office of the Deputy Transport Commissioner Kadapa on 20.09.2019.

2. After examination of the report of the Director General Anti Corruption Bureau Government have initiated common disciplinary proceedings against Sri M.Veerraju the then DTC (I/C)Kadapa & RTO, Proddatur and (16) others vide G.O.3rd read above. Further vide G.O 4th read above, Government had initiated Departmental Proceedings under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 against Sri M.Veerraju, the then DTC (I/C), Kadapa & RTO, Proddatur by framing Articles of Charges as follows:

Charge-1:
That the Government Servant Sri M.Veerraju in abuse of his official position while working as I/c DTC in collusion with other staff allowed 15 private transport agents within the premises of the office and an unaccounted amount of Rs.85,010/- was found in the possession of those 15 private transport agents.

Charge-2:
That the Government Servant Sri M. Veerraju in abuse of his official position while working as I/c DTC, failed to give proper explanation for unaccounted cash of Rs.3,200/- seized from the Senior Assistant Sri I.Prabhakar Rao and Rs.2,100/- seized from the Data Base Administrator Sri Shaik Asif on the date of Surprise check.

Charge-3:
That the Government Servant Sri M.Veerraju in abuse of his official position while working as I/c DTC being a supervisory officer failed to take all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all the Government servants for the time being under his control and authority.

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3. Sri M.Veerraju the then DTC (I/C) Kadapa & RTO Proddatur submitted his Written Statement of Defense received through the reference 5th read above wherein while giving explanation to the charges framed against him he has stated that as per the R No:13029/25/C4/2019 of the Transport Commissioner AP, Vijayawada, Dt: 22.07.2019 he was kept as the Deputy Transport Commissioner Kadapa as a Full Additional Charge. He took charge as DTC, Kadapa on 24.07.2019. In fact he was working as the Regional Transport Officer, Proddatur and he was engaged with the work of RTO, Proddatur he was attending the Office of the Deputy Transport Commissioner, Kadapa once or twice in a week; that during the period of his tenure as DTC(FAC) a new scheme was launched by the Government of Andhra Pradesh by name YSR Vahana Mitra; that he attended meetings with the District Collector, Joint Collectors, CEO, ZP, All MPDOs in the District, All Municipal Commissioners in the district and he was completely engaged with the monitoring of submission of YSR Vahana Mitra applications; that as he working as the DTC (FAC), YSR District by that time frequently he used to attend at the Collectorate, YSR District to apprise the district administration about the status of application submission and approvals by the concerned officials. Therefore, he has requested the Government to exonerate him of the charges and drop further action against him, as was done in similar cases.

4. The Transport Commissioner, AP, Vijayawada vide letter 5th read above, while forwarding the WSD of Sri M.Veerraju, DTC (I/C) Kadapa & RTO, Proddatur, has stated that it is the fact that Sri M.Veerraju, RTO, Proddatur, in charge DTC, Kadapa .attended the meeting in Collector Office Kadapa pertaining to scheme going to be launched by the Transport department "Y.S.R. VAAHANA MITRA". He was involved in the implementation of YSR Vahana Mitra Scheme as on date of Surprise check by ACB on 20.09.2019 & efforts of the entire official mechanism was to get the applications filed by the eligible owner cum drivers of Autos/Maxicabs/Taxi cabs from14.09.2019 to 25.09.2019(last date for receipt of applications) by providing helpdesks to facilitate feeding of applications in online & giving guidance to file the applications & Coordinating with the Collector, Officials of Municipal Administration & Panchayat Raj departments. He did lot of hard work for implementation of the scheme successfully though he was fresher to the Transport Department. In view of the above details mentioned above, the transport Commissioner has requested the Government that the charges framed against Sri M.Veerraju, RTO, Proddatur in charge DTC, Kadapa may be dropped.

5. Government, after careful examination of the Written Statement of Defence of Sri M.Veerraju, the then DTC (I/C)Kadapa & RTO, Proddatur, and the remarks of the Transport Commissioner, AP, Vijayawada, have decided to consider the Written Statement of Defense and to drop charges framed against Sri M.Veerraju, the then DTC (I/C), Kadapa & RTO, Proddatur.

6. Accordingly, Government hereby drop further action against Sri M.Veerraju, the then DTC (I/C) Kadapa & RTO, Proddatur, in the above ACB Surprise Check Case.

7. The Transport Commissioner, A.P., Vijayawada shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M.T.KRISHNA BABU
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M.Veerraju, the then DTC (I/C) Kadapa & RTO. Proddatur through the Transport Commissioner, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Transport Commissioner, A.P., Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The Director- General, Anti- Corruption Bureau, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, APVC, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
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SECTION OFFICER